

3739

<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b> (General - Patent Pending)	Docket No. 088/02389
---	-------------------------

In Re Application Of: Amir LOSHAKOVE et al.

Serial No. 09/936,805	Filing Date September 17, 2001	Examiner O'CONNOR, C. E.	Group Art Unit 3732
--------------------------	-----------------------------------	-----------------------------	------------------------

Title: **LOW PROFILE ANASTOMOSIS CONNECTOR**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is:  
**Letter to the Examiner**

**RECEIVED**  
FEB 06 2004  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

in the above identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ as described below.
  - ☐ Charge the amount of \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☒ Credit any overpayment.
  - ☒ Charge any additional fee required.

03-3419

Paul Fenster  
Signature

Dated: January 18, 2004

Paul FENSTER, Reg. No. 33,877

William H. Dippert, Esq.  
Reed Smith LLP  
599 Lexington Avenue, 29th Floor  
New York, NY 10022-7650

Tel: (212) 521-5400

CC:

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.
Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence
Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence



088/02389

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In regard to the application of: Amir LOSHAKOVE et al.

Serial No : 09/936,805

Group Art Unit: 3732

Filed : September 17, 2001

Examiner: O'CONNOR, C. E.

For : LOW PROFILE ANASTOMOSIS CONNECTOR

LETTER TO THE EXAMINER

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED  
FEB 06 2004  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

#13

Sir:


The present application is a U.S. national phase under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT Application No. PCT/IB00/00310, filed on March 20, 2000. The present application is also a continuation-in-part (CIP) under 35 U.S.C. §111(a) of U.S. Application No. 09/701,531, U.S. Application No. 09/701,523, U.S. Application No. 09/936,806 and U.S. Application No. 09/936,789.

Applicants attach an Equivalent to form PTO-1449 listing the art cited in parent file U.S. Application No. 09/701,531 (items 1-11, 13-18, 21-25, 27-33, 35-41, 43-44 and 46-49) and parent file U.S. Application No. 09/936,806 (items 12, 19, 20, 26, 34, 42 and 45). Applicants are confident that the Examiner has reviewed and considered the art in accordance with MPEP Section 6091.A.2. However, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner returns the enclosed form initialed, in order to ensure that the items listed therein appear on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amir LOSHAKOVE et al.

January 18, 2004  
William H. Dippert, Esq.  
Reed Smith LLP  
599 Lexington Avenue, 29<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10022-7650

  
Paul Fenster,  
Registration No. 33,877

Tel.: (212) 521-5400



PTO/SB92 (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U. S. Patent and Trademark Office; U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

### Certificate of Mailing under 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to

Mail Stop:  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED  
FEB 06 2004  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

on January 20, 2004

Date

Geraldine Gress

Reed Smith LLP  
599 Lexington Avenue  
29th Floor  
New York, New York 10022-7650  
Tel: 212-521-5400; Fax: 212-521-5450

Note: Each paper must have its own certificate of mailing, or this certificate must identify each submitted paper.

Applicant: Amir Loshakove et al  
Serial No: 09/936,805  
Filing Date: September 17, 2001  
For: LOW PROFILE ANASTOMOSIS CONNECTOR  
Enclosures: (1) Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);  
(2) Letter To The Examiner (1 page) w/copy of Information Disclosure Citation (3 pages);  
(3) Acknowledgement Postcard.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.03 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.